HOUSE No. 2888

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Pam Richardson

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act reimbursing cities and towns for non-profit tax exemptions.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Robert P. Spellane	13th Worcester
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In	the	Year	Two	Thousand	and	Nine

AN ACT REIMBURSING CITIES AND TOWNS FOR NON-PROFIT TAX EXEMPTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1. The Third clause of section 5 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

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6 7 The commonwealth shall annually appropriate the amount necessary to fully reimburse cities and towns in which charitable property makes up to 4 per cent or more of the total per cent of town area for taxes exempted because of ownership by non-profit corporations. Subject to appropriation, the commissioner of revenue shall distribute to each city and town the full amount of taxes that would otherwise have been paid.